

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TAKASHI OKAZAWA ) : Examiner: L. Rodriguez  
Application No.: 10/042,323 ) : Group Art Unit: 2625  
Filed: January 11, 2002 ) : Confirmation No. 4441  
For: COMMUNICATION CONTROL )  
DEVICE, APPARATUS, ) :  
METHOD OF )  
NOTIFICATION, ) :  
RECORDING MEDIUM, AND )  
PROGRAM : March 10, 2009

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: